

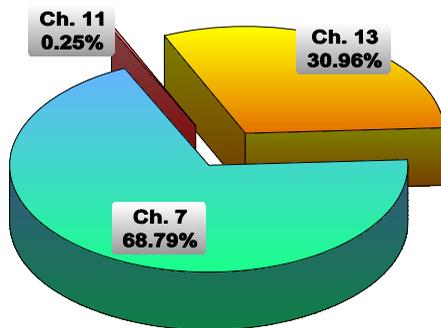


# U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Eastern District of Missouri

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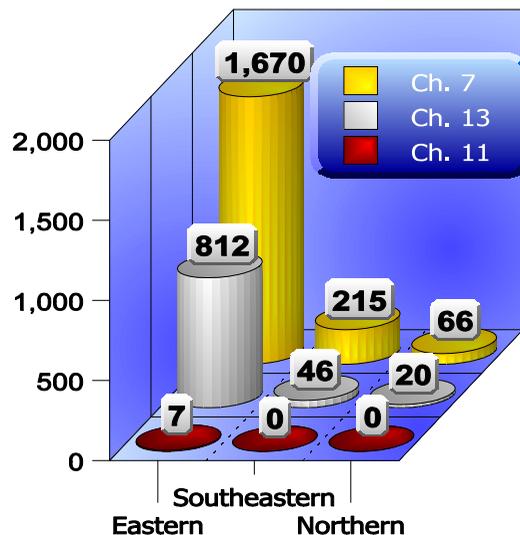
*October through December 2013, Quarterly Case Processing Statistics*



## New Cases

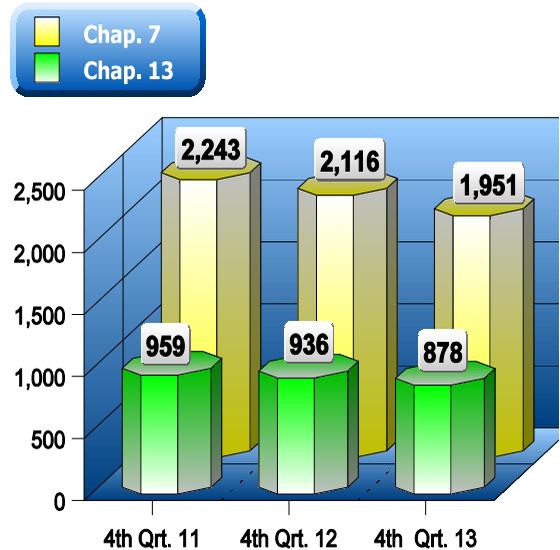
During the fourth quarter of the calendar year 2013, the Court opened a total of 2,836 new cases. There were 2,489 cases filed in the Eastern division, 261 cases in the Southeastern division and 86 cases filed in the Northern division. The court reopened 199

additional cases. The new cases consisted of 1,951 Chapter 7 filings, 7 Chapter 11 filings and 878 Chapter 13 filings. There were no new cases filed under Chapter 9, 12 or 15. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally there were 74 new Adversary Proceedings, 957 motions to lift the automatic stay, and 180 motions to avoid liens. The chart to the right indicates the number of new cases filed during the fourth quarter in each division, broken down by chapter.



## Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the fourth quarter, 2013, there were 1,951 Chapter 7 petitions and 878 Chapter 13 petitions were filed with the Court. These figures constitute 68.79% and 30.96%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the fourth quarter of 2012, the Court received 2,116 new Chapter 7 petitions (66.94%) and 936 new Chapter 13 petitions (29.61%). The chart to the right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the fourth quarter of 2013 and the past two calendar years.



## Case Closings

The Court closed 3,573 cases during the fourth quarter, 2013. Case terminations by division included 3,147 for the Eastern division, 330 for the Southeastern division, and 96 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is less than the number closed during the third quarter of 2013, when the Court closed 4,056 cases. The Court also closed 116 adversary proceedings during the fourth quarter, 2013.

## Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the fourth quarter, 2013, was 16,424 cases, a decrease of 538 cases from the third quarter, 2013. These 538 cases reflect a 3.17% decrease in the pending caseload from last quarter when there were 16,962 cases pending. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases decreased by 2.27% (382 cases), or an average of 95 case each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending decreased by 42 cases in the fourth quarter, 2013, leaving 136 cases pending.

